Remarks/Arguments

Enclosed with the present amendment is a copy of the Notice to Comply, the sequence listing printout accompanying the Notice to Comply, and an amended Sequence Listing provided in hard copy and computer readable form. The amendments to the Sequence Listing update the general information section and correct the description of features indicated in the Notice to Comply for SEQ ID NOs: 1, 24 and 27. The description for SEQ ID NO: 1 was amended to indicate Xaa in position 392, instead of position 376. The description for SEQ ID NO: 24 was amended to provide a correct spelling for "Artificial". The description for SEQ ID NO: 27 was amended to indicate "Artificial".

No new matter is introduced into the Sequence Listing. I hereby state that the contents of the paper and computer readable copies of the enclosed Sequence Listing are the same.

Please charge deposit account 13-2755 for fees due in connection with this amendment. If any time extensions are needed for the timely filing of the present amendment, applicants petition for such extensions and authorize the charging of deposit account 13-2755 for the appropriate fees.

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